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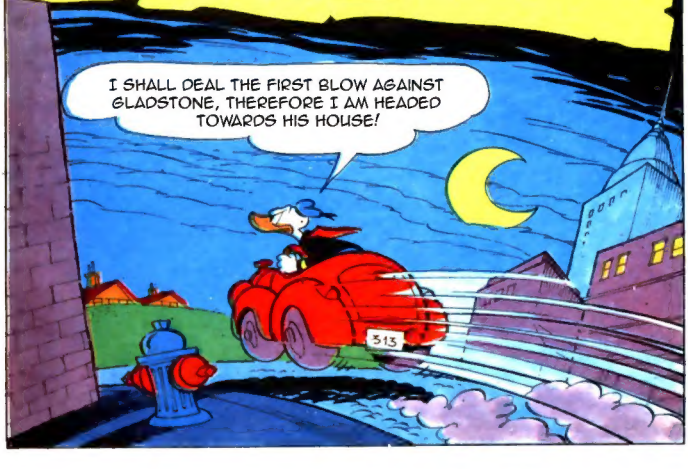
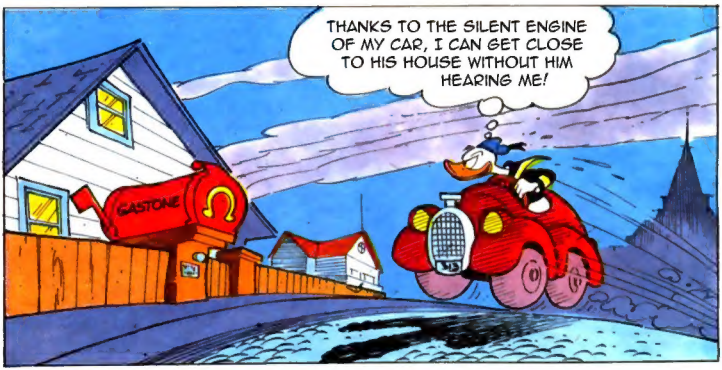
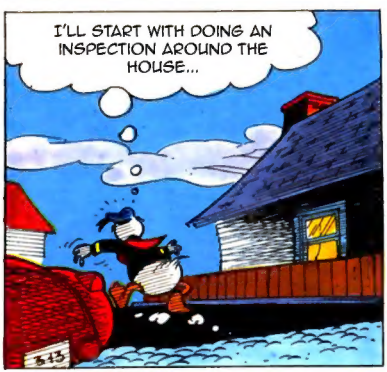
ALLA RISCOSSA

WHAT A DAY, KIDS! THIS DAY A GRAND MASQUERADE BALL WILL BE HELD IN THE THEATER, COURTESY OF SCROOGE MCDUCK! HOWEVER TODAY, AS USUAL, I HAVE SUFFERED ALL KINDS OF HUMILIATION AND HARASSMENT UNDER THE HANDS MY COUSIN GLADSTONE GANDER! BECAUSE OF HIM, DAISY – THE FOOL SHE IS! – HAS VOWED TO NEVER DANCE WITH ME OR EVEN LOOK ME IN THE FACE AGAIN! BUT I'M NOT THE KIND TO RESIGN THAT EASILY AND I AM GOING TO STAND UP AND FIGHT THIS MOST EXTRAORDINARY OF BATTLES, USING ALL THE SECRET WEAPONS AT MY DISPOSAL AS THE DIABOLICAL DUCK AVENGER, STARTING WITH THE FABULOUS ***CAN-CAN*** – THE CANDY THAT ERASES MEMORIES!

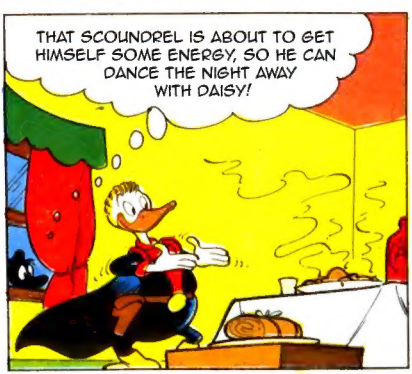
PART TWO



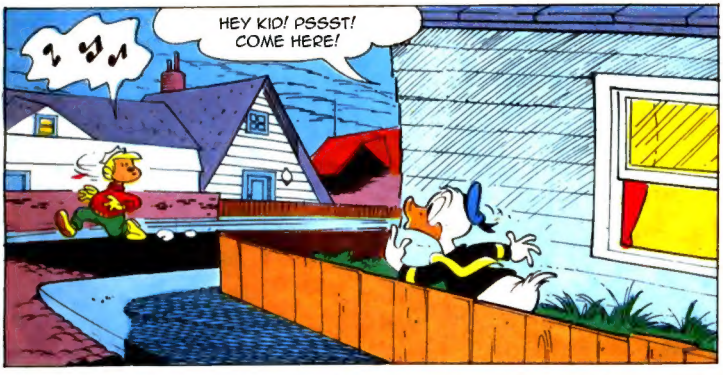

THANKS TO THE SILENT ENGINE OF MY CAR, I CAN GET CLOSE TO HIS HOUSE WITHOUT HIM HEARING ME!
GASTONE


I'LL START WITH DOING AN INSPECTION AROUND THE HOUSE...

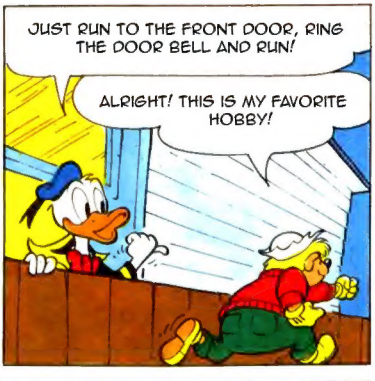
AHAAA! MY ENEMY IS ABOUT TO SIT DOWN TO TABLE!


THAT SCOUNDREL IS ABOUT TO GET HIMSELF SOME ENERGY, SO HE CAN DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH DAISY!

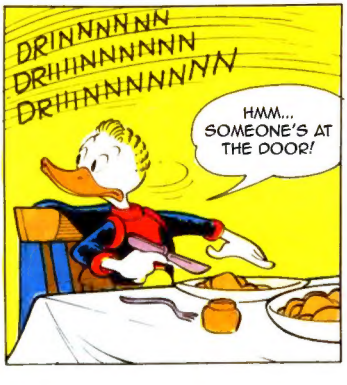
BUT I WON'T ALLOW HIM!


HEY KID! PSSST! COME HERE!

DO YOU WANT TO EARN A DOLLAR?
DO I!? FOR A DOLLAR, I'D SET MY SCHOOL ON FIRE!


JUST RUN TO THE FRONT DOOR, RING THE DOOR BELL AND RUN!
ALRIGHT! THIS IS MY FAVORITE HOBBY!

FOR ONE DOLLAR, I'LL GIVE HIM A REAL LONG BUZZ!
GASTONE
VILLA FORTUNA


DRINNNNNN
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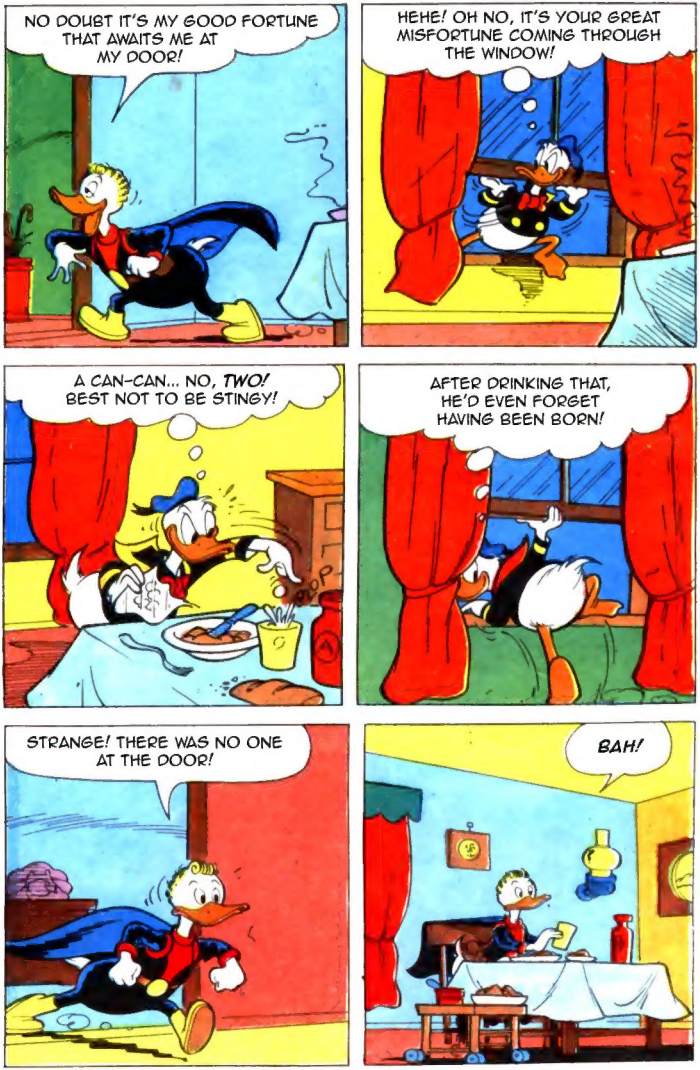
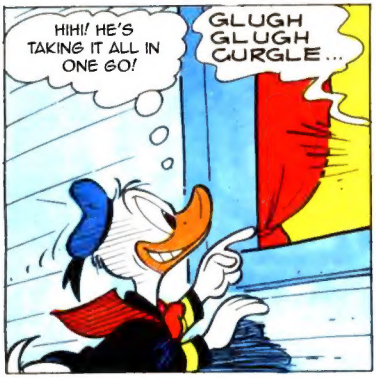
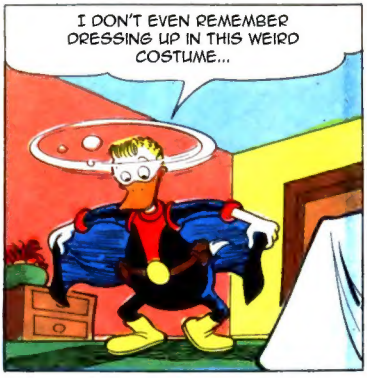
HMM... SOMEONE'S AT THE DOOR!


NO DOUBT IT'S MY GOOD FORTUNE THAT AWAITS ME AT MY DOOR!
HEHE! OH NO, IT'S YOUR GREAT MISFORTUNE COMING THROUGH THE WINDOW!
A CAN-CAN... NO, TWO! BEST NOT TO BE STINGY!
AFTER DRINKING THAT, HE'D EVEN FORGET HAVING BEEN BORN!
STRANGE! THERE WAS NO ONE AT THE DOOR!
BAH!


HIH! HE'S TAKING IT ALL IN ONE GO!
GLUGH GLUGH GURGLE...

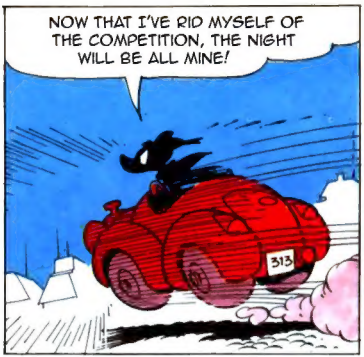
GLOFFF... UGH...

UHMM... HAVE I ALREADY EATEN OR AM I ABOUT TO EAT? I DON'T REMEMBER...


I DON'T EVEN REMEMBER DRESSING UP IN THIS WEIRD COSTUME...

AHHH-HNNGH... A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP WILL PROBABLY HELP CLEAR MY MIND!

HEHE! GLADSTONE IS TAKEN CARE OF!


NOW THAT I'VE RID MYSELF OF THE COMPETITION, THE NIGHT WILL BE ALL MINE!
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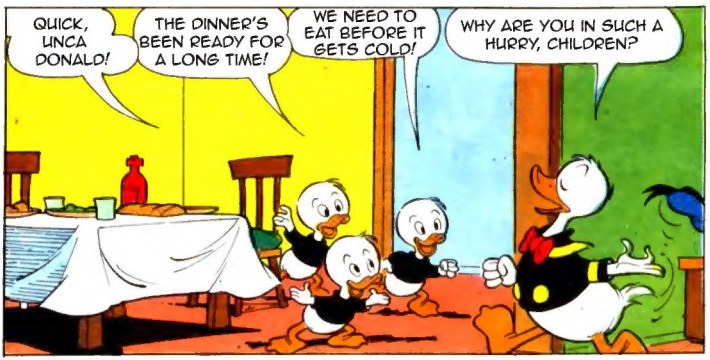
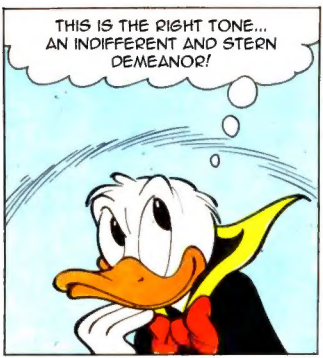
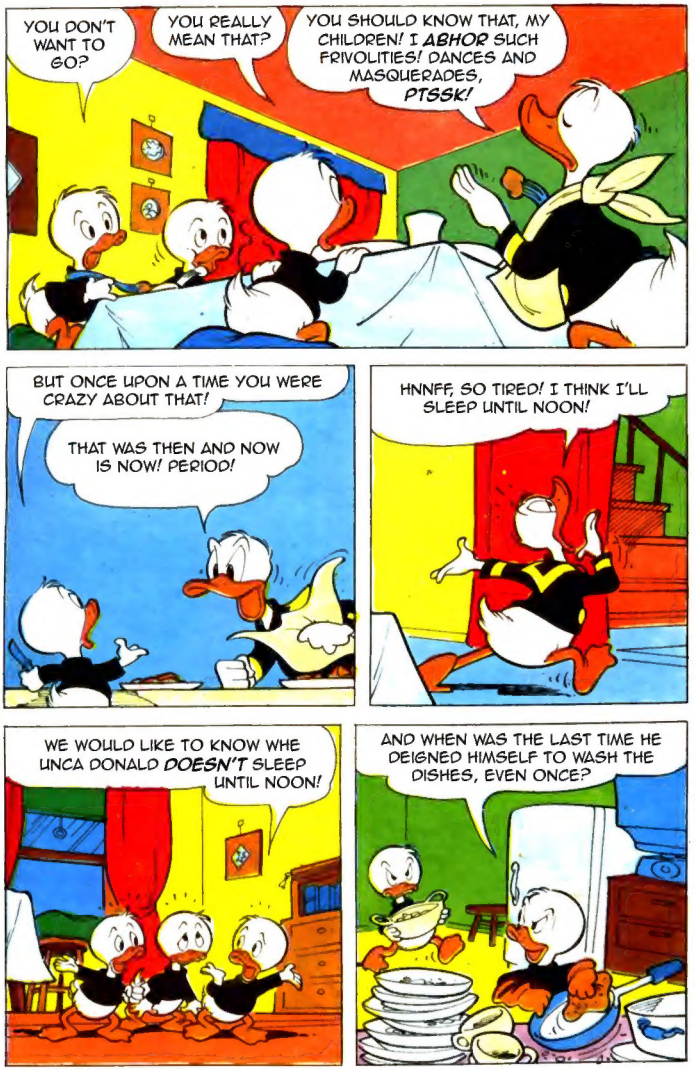
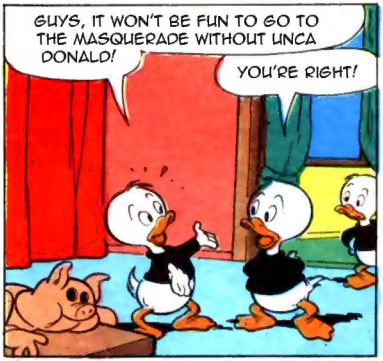
YES INDEED! THIS WILL BE THE GLORIOUS NIGHT OF THE DUCK AVENGER!

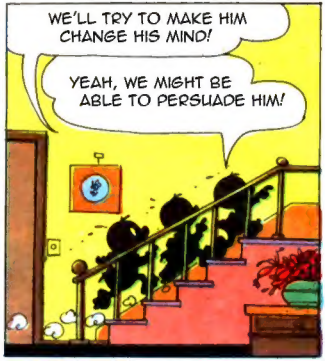

QUICK, UNCA DONALD!
THE DINNER'S BEEN READY FOR A LONG TIME!
WE NEED TO EAT BEFORE IT GETS COLD!
WHY ARE YOU IN SUCH A HURRY, CHILDREN?


THIS IS THE RIGHT TONE... AN INDIFFERENT AND STERN DEMEANOR!

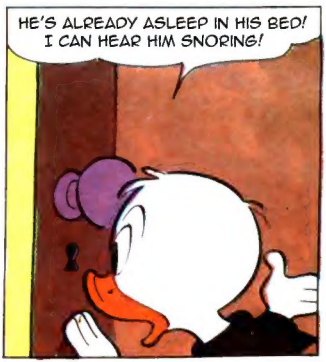
BUT... DON'T YOU REMEMBER? WE HAVE TO HURRY TO GET TO THE CHARITY BALL IN TIME!
YOU, MAYBE! AS FOR ME, NO CHANCE!


YOU DON'T WANT TO GO?
YOU REALLY MEAN THAT?
YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT, MY CHILDREN! I ABHOR SUCH FRIVOLITIES! DANCES AND MASQUERADES, PTSSK!
BUT ONCE UPON A TIME YOU WERE CRAZY ABOUT THAT!
THAT WAS THEN AND NOW IS NOW! PERIOD!
HNNFF, SO TIRED! I THINK I'LL SLEEP UNTIL NOON!
WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHE UNCA DONALD DOESN'T SLEEP UNTIL NOON!
AND WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME HE DEIGNED HIMSELF TO WASH THE DISHES, EVEN ONCE?


GUYS, IT WON'T BE FUN TO GO TO THE MASQUERADE WITHOUT UNCA DONALD!
YOU'RE RIGHT!

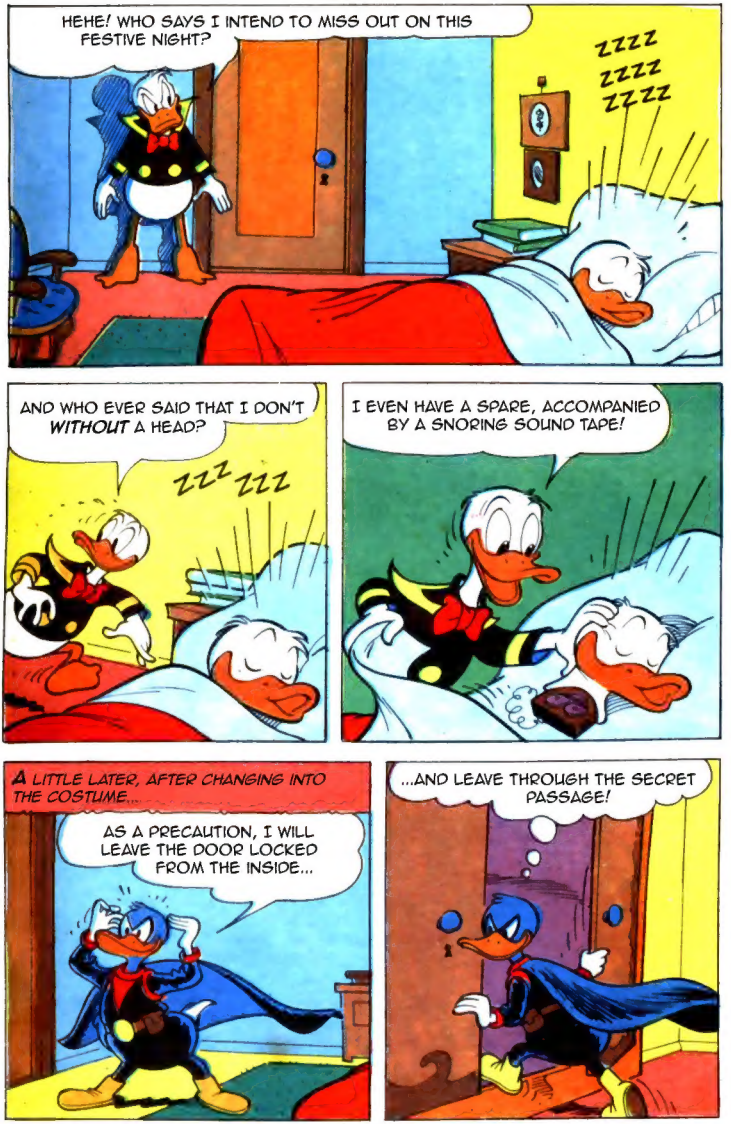

WE'LL TRY TO MAKE HIM CHANGE HIS MIND!
YEAH, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PERSUADE HIM!

UHMM... HE HAS LOCKED THE DOOR!
DO NOT DISTURB! DANGER! BEWARE THE BEATER!


HE'S ALREADY ASLEEP IN HIS BED! I CAN HEAR HIM SNORING!

GZZZZZ
ZZZZ

LET'S GET INTO OUR COSTUMES! WE'LL GO WITHOUT HIM!
POOR UNCA DONALD!
HE'S GONNA MISS OUT ON A FUN NIGHT!


HEHE! WHO SAYS I INTEND TO MISS OUT ON THIS FESTIVE NIGHT?
ZZZZ ZZZZ ZZZZ
AND WHO EVER SAID THAT I DON'T *WITHOUT* A HEAD?
ZZZ ZZZ
I EVEN HAVE A SPARE, ACCOMPANIED BY A SNORING SOUND TAPE!
A LITTLE LATER, AFTER CHANGING INTO THE COSTUME...
AS A PRECAUTION, I WILL LEAVE THE DOOR LOCKED FROM THE INSIDE...
...AND LEAVE THROUGH THE SECRET PASSAGE!

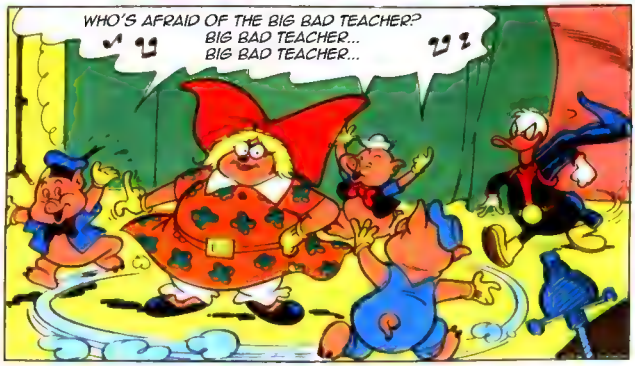
MEANWHILE, IN THE THEATER HALL...
A MOST FITTING COSTUME, MR. JUDGE!
AS IS YOURS, MR. TAX COLLECTOR!
HRMPF! DISGUSTING!
A VERY NICE COSTUME YOU HAVE, UNCLE SCROOGE!
NICE AND DURABLE! HEHE! I BOUGHT IT IN 1898 WHEN I WAS LOOKING FOR GOLD IN THE KLONDIKE!
BUT YOU... UH... WITH THAT OUTFIT, YOU LOOK LIKE AN OUTLAW!
YOUR COMPLIMENT FLATTERS ME, UNCLE!

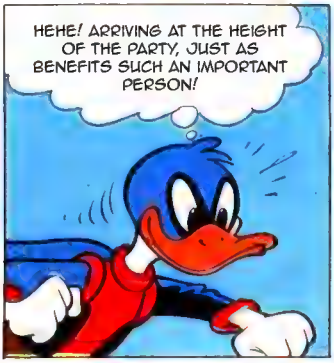
THE GIRLS OF TODAY...
HRMPF!
OUT WITH THE SWAG, OLD MISER!
OOF!
GULP! THE TERRIBLE BEAGLE BOYS! HELP!
NO NEED TO SHOUT, DUCK!
IT'S USELESS!
URGH! THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE SQUAD!
I'M SORRY IF I SCARED YOU, MR. MCDUCK! EXCUSE US, BOTH ME AND MY MEN!
GRMPF! I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO GET A HEART ATTACK!
TSK, TSK! GETTING SO SCARED BECAUSE OF THREE CHOCOLATE GUNS!
CRUNK
CRUNK
CRUNC

GRPNF! MASKS OR NO MASKS, ALL THESE FAKE OUTLAWS HAS MADE ME TIRED! I'M GOING TO GO CATCH MY BREATH IN THE OFFICE!

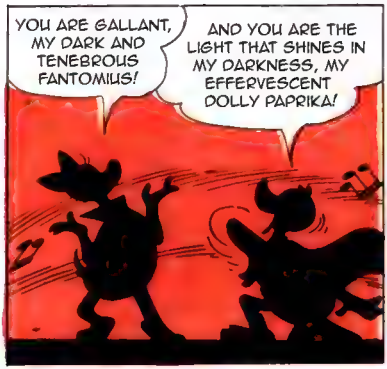
AND WHILE I'M AT IT, I MIGHT AS WELL LOOK AFTER DONATION MONEY!

MEAN-WHILE...


WHO'S AFRAID OF THE BIG BAD TEACHER?
BIG BAD TEACHER...
BIG BAD TEACHER...


HEHE! ARRIVING AT THE HEIGHT OF THE PARTY, JUST AS BENEFITS SUCH AN IMPORTANT PERSON!

GLADSTONE! WHY SO LATE?
LATE PERHAPS, BUT I STILL HAVE THE TIME TO LAY MY HEART BY YOUR FEET!


YOU ARE GALLANT, MY DARK AND TENEBROUS FANTOMIUS!
AND YOU ARE THE LIGHT THAT SHINES IN MY DARKNESS, MY EFFERVESCENT DOLLY PAPRIKA!

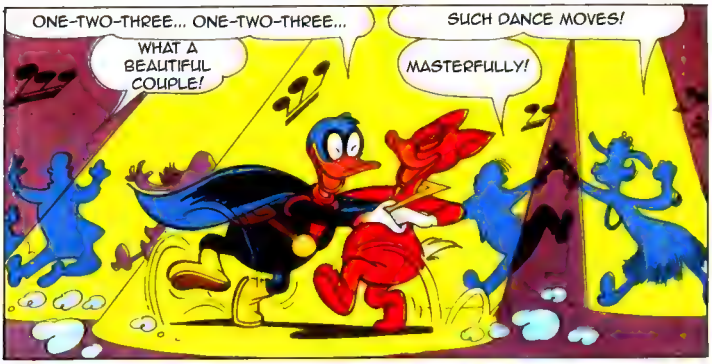
MAY I HAVE THIS NEXT DANCE, DOLLY?
YOU MAY HAVE ALL OF MY DANCES, FANTOMIUS!

ARE YOU SINCERE, MY FAIR LADY?
YES, YOU WILL FOREVER BE MY KNIGHT!

AND SHE SAID SHE WOULD NEVER DANCE WITH ME AGAIN! SILLY GIRL!

I WILL FOREVER REMEMBER THIS EVENING!
I WISH THIS NIGHT WOULD NEVER END!

THIS MUSIC GIVES WINGS TO OUR FEET!
I AM SO EXCITED!


ONE-TWO-THREE... ONE-TWO-THREE...
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL COUPLE!
SUCH DANCE MOVES!
MASTERFULLY!

OLE'!

DO YOU HEAR HOW THEY CHEER US?
WHAT A THRILL! I FEEL LIKE THE QUEEN OF THE PARTY!
CLAP CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP

ARE YOU HAPPY?
YES! AND ALL BECAUSE OF YOU, GLADSTONE, WHO HAVE ORGANIZED THIS WHOLE WONDERFUL EVENING!

GLADSTONE... ALWAYS GLADSTONE! GRRRR!

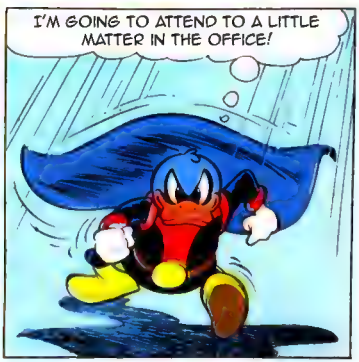
YOU KNOW THAT, WITH ALL THE TICKETS SOLD, WE RECIEVED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS?
THAT MUCH?

YES! THE MONEY'S SAFE IN THE OFFICE RIGHT NOW AND TOMORROW WE WILL DONATE THEM TO CHARITY!
HMMM...

TOMORROW THE ENTIRE TOWN WILL KNOW THAT THANKS TO GLADSTONE GANDER...
BAH! I'M SURE THAT DONALD WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO EVEN BETTER!

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH! DONALD WOULDN'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO ORGANIZE A CHILDREN'S PARTY!
OH, REALLY?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING? THE PARTY IS ONLY JUST STARTING!
I'LL BE BACK IN A MOMENT!


I'M GOING TO ATTEND TO A LITTLE MATTER IN THE OFFICE!

I'LL PUT MY HANDS ON THOSE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS! THEN, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, I WILL BE THE ONE TO PUT THEM TO CHARITY!
PRIVATE
GULP! UNCLE SCROOGE! LUCKILY, HE'S SNOOZING!
ZZZ
WITH A DASH OF SLEEP-HARD HE'LL SLEEP EVEN DEEPER!
ZZZ
SVISHHH
PERFECT! NOT EVEN A GUNSHOT CAN WAKE HIM UP!
BANG
ZZZ...
NOW I CAN JUST GRAB THE MONEY RIGHT UNDER HIS BEAK!
ZZZ
BUT A SINGLE PENNY ROLLS ON THE TABLE... AND FALLS TO THE FLOOR...
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HEHE! THE CLINK OF A COIN IS ENOUGH TO WAKE SCROOGE FROM EVEN THE DEEPEST OF SLEEP!
ZZZ... HEY!
GULP! TIME TO GO!
STOP!
LUCKILY I HAVE MY SPRING BOOTS!
PLOMP
BUT THE FEAR OF LOSING MONEY GIVES WINGS TO SCROOGE'S FEET!
UGHRRRR!
PLOMP
STOP THE THIEF! STOP THE THIEEEEF!
HEHEHE!

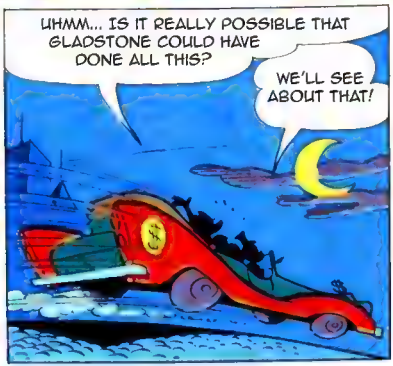
HEHEHE!
PLOFF
AND NOW FOR A QUICK ESCAPE!
GULP! UNCLE SCROOGE INSISTS!
HALT! STOP THE THIEF POLICE!
I'LL SHAKE HIM OFF ALONG THE COUNTRY ROAD!
AH-HAAA! I'M GAINING ON HIM!

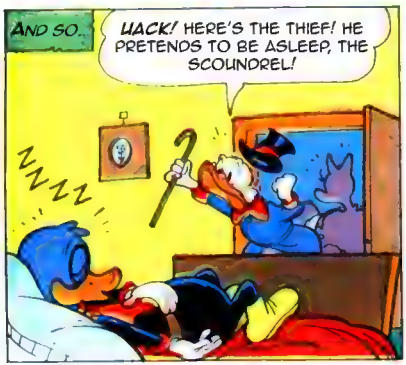
HEHE! NOW I'LL LET YOU GET CLOSE, JUST CLOSE ENOUGH TO...
...RELEASE A CLOUD OF SNEEZING GAS!
CHECK AND MATE!
SVOOOOSHHH
URGH! WHA... AAAAAAAA AAAAAAAAA-CHOOOO!
AAAAAA-CHOOOOO!
HEHE! WHEN I GET BACK HOME, I'LL CHANGE THE CAR BACK TO READ AND THEN GO TO BED!

MEANWHILE...
HAVE YOU SEEN GLADSTONE?
YOU MEAN FANTOMIUS? NO, WE HAVEN'T SEEN HIM ANYWHERE!
STRANGE! HE SAID HE'D BE RIGHT BACK! MAYBE HE'S CHECKING THE EARNINGS IN THE OFFICE!
LET'S GO LOOK!
HE'S NOT HERE!
NOR IS THE MONEY!
HMMM... I DON'T UNDERSTAND THESE DISAPPEARANCES!
OH! UNCLE SCROOGE! DO YOU KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON?
SGRMPF! I'VE BEEN ROBBED, MOCKED AND CAUGHT A COOOAAAAAAA-CHOOOOO!

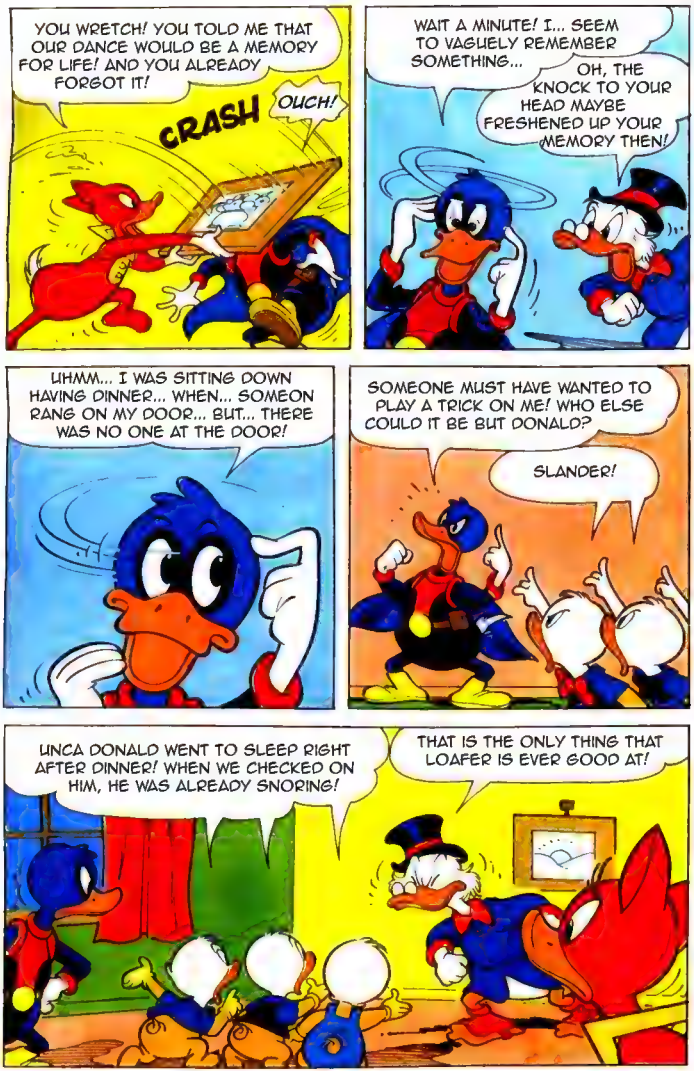
BETWEEN THE SNEEZES UNCLE SCROOGE TELLS OF HIS ADVENTURE...

UMM... DO YOU MEAN THAT THE ROBBER WAS DISGUISED AS FANTOMIUS?
GRNPF! EXACTLY! AND THERE WAS SOMETHING STRANGELY FAMILIAR ABOUT HIM!
BUT... FANTOMIUS IS NON OTHER THAN GLADSTONE GANDER!



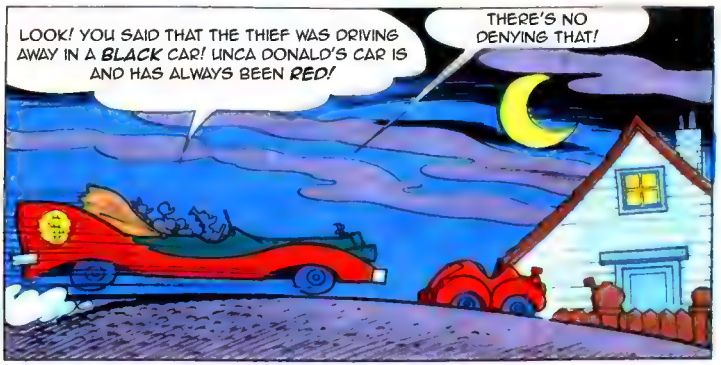


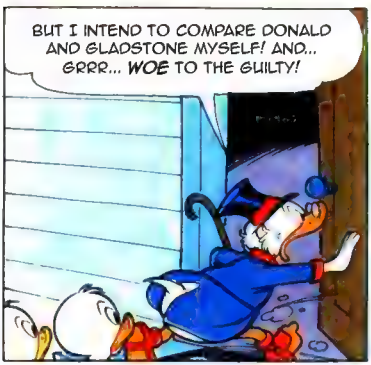
HURRY UP! OUT WITH THE MONEY!
MONEY? WHAT DO YOU MEAN? AND WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING HERE?
UHMMM...
WE'RE ASKING THE QUESTIONS HERE! ANSWER ME! WHERE DID YOU HIDE THE MONEY THAT YOU STOLE IN THE THEATER?
MONEY? THEATER? *WHAT* THEATER?
GLADSTONE GANDER! WHAT KIND OF COMEDY IS THIS?
GRNTF! THIS IS NO COMEDY!
THEN EXPLAIN TO ME WHY YOU JUST UP AND LEFT AFTER OUR DANCE?
I... DANCED WITH *YOU?* WHEN?
YOU MEAN THAT YOU DON'T REMEMBER?
EXACTLY!


YOU WRETCH! YOU TOLD ME THAT OUR DANCE WOULD BE A MEMORY FOR LIFE! AND YOU ALREADY FORGOT IT!
CRASH
OUCH!
WAIT A MINUTE! I... SEEM TO VAGUELY REMEMBER SOMETHING...
OH, THE KNOCK TO YOUR HEAD MAYBE FRESHENED UP YOUR MEMORY THEN!
UHMM... I WAS SITTING DOWN HAVING DINNER... WHEN... SOMEON RANG ON MY DOOR... BUT... THERE WAS NO ONE AT THE DOOR!
SOMEONE MUST HAVE WANTED TO PLAY A TRICK ON ME! WHO ELSE COULD IT BE BUT DONALD?
SLANDER!
UNCA DONALD WENT TO SLEEP RIGHT AFTER DINNER! WHEN WE CHECKED ON HIM, HE WAS ALREADY SNORING!
THAT IS THE ONLY THING THAT LOAFER IS EVER GOOD AT!

HOWEVER, WE NEED CLARITY IN THIS CASE! LET'S GO TO DONALD!
IT WILL BE LIKE DIGGING A HOLE IN THE WATER, UNCA SCROOGE!

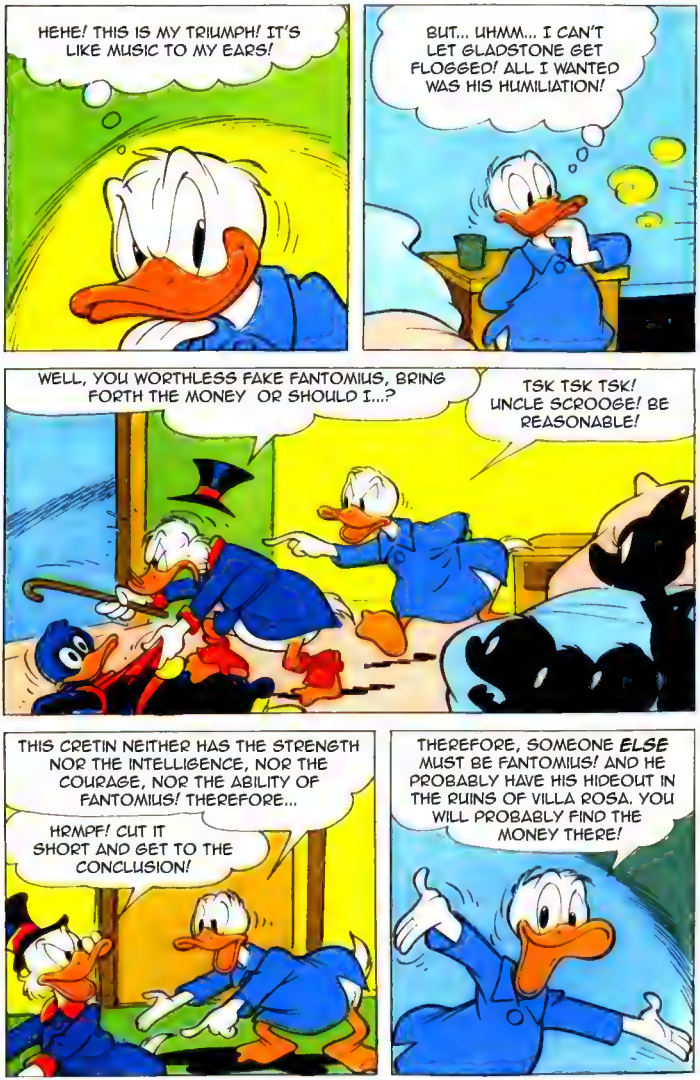
UNCA DONALD MAY BE A LOAFER, BUT HE'S NO THIEF!


LOOK! YOU SAID THAT THE THIEF WAS DRIVING AWAY IN A BLACK CAR! UNCA DONALD'S CAR IS AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN RED!
THERE'S NO DENYING THAT!

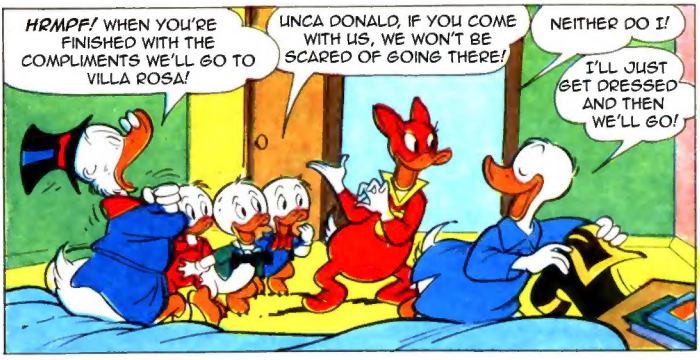

BUT I INTEND TO COMPARE DONALD AND GLADSTONE MYSELF! AND... GRRR... WOE TO THE GUILTY!

THE DOOR IS STILL LOCKED FROM THE INSIDE!
NEPHEEEW!
NEPHEEEEEEW!
BONK BONK BONK!
DO NOT DISTURB! DANGER! BEWARE THE BEATER!

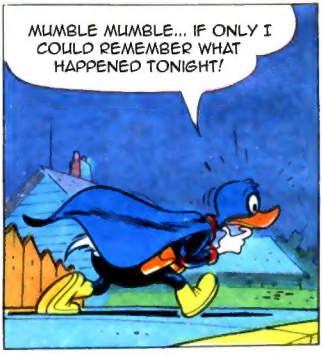
HEHE! UNCLE SCROOGE! JUST AS I EXPECTED!
BONK
BONK
BONK
I'M READY FOR THE GRAND FINALE!
BONK
BONK
BONK
YAAAWN... LOOK WHO IT IS! THE WHOLE TRIBE! IS THE PARTY ALREADY OVER?
GRRR! IT'S JUST GETTING STARTED! WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO TONIGHT?
YAAAAAWN! I SLEPT! WHY DO YOU ASK?
BECAUSE SOMEONE DISGUISED AS FANTOMIUS STOLE THE DONATION MONEY!
UNCA SCROOGE! LOOK WHO'S STILL DRESSED AS FANTOMIUS!
GLADSTONE! I'M BEGINNING TO THINK IT IS YOU THAT I WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH!
GULP!


HEHE! THIS IS MY TRIUMPH! IT'S LIKE MUSIC TO MY EARS!
BUT... UHMM... I CAN'T LET GLADSTONE GET FLOGGED! ALL I WANTED WAS HIS HUMILIATION!
WELL, YOU WORTHLESS FAKE FANTOMIUS, BRING FORTH THE MONEY OR SHOULD I...?
TSK TSK TSK! UNCLE SCROOGE! BE REASONABLE!
THIS CRETIN NEITHER HAS THE STRENGTH NOR THE INTELLIGENCE, NOR THE COURAGE, NOR THE ABILITY OF FANTOMIUS! THEREFORE...
HRMPF! CUT IT SHORT AND GET TO THE CONCLUSION!
THEREFORE, SOMEONE ELSE MUST BE FANTOMIUS! AND HE PROBABLY HAVE HIS HIDEOUT IN THE RUINS OF VILLA ROSA. YOU WILL PROBABLY FIND THE MONEY THERE!

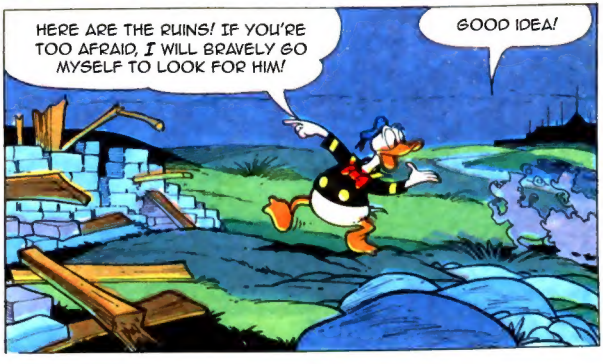
UHMM... YOU THINK SO?
BRRR... WE HAVE TO SEARCH FOR A GHOST AMONG THE RUINS?
HOW SCARY!
I DON'T DARE TO DO THAT!
HAH! I KNEW YOU'D BE SUCH A COWARD!
GROAN! WOULD YOU DARE TO GO?
OF COURSE! I AM NOT AFRAID OF ANY GHOSTS!
BRAVO!
DAISY! YOU SAID THAT YOU PREFERRED ME! AND NOW...
AND NOW I DON'T!
SOMEONE WHO FORGETS THAT HE DANCED WITH ME, WON'T DESERVE MY ESTEEM!
SIGH!
SERVES HIM RIGHT!


HRMPF! WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED WITH THE COMPLIMENTS WE'LL GO TO VILLA ROSA!
UNCA DONALD, IF YOU COME WITH US, WE WON'T BE SCARED OF GOING THERE!
NEITHER DO I!
I'LL JUST GET DRESSED AND THEN WE'LL GO!

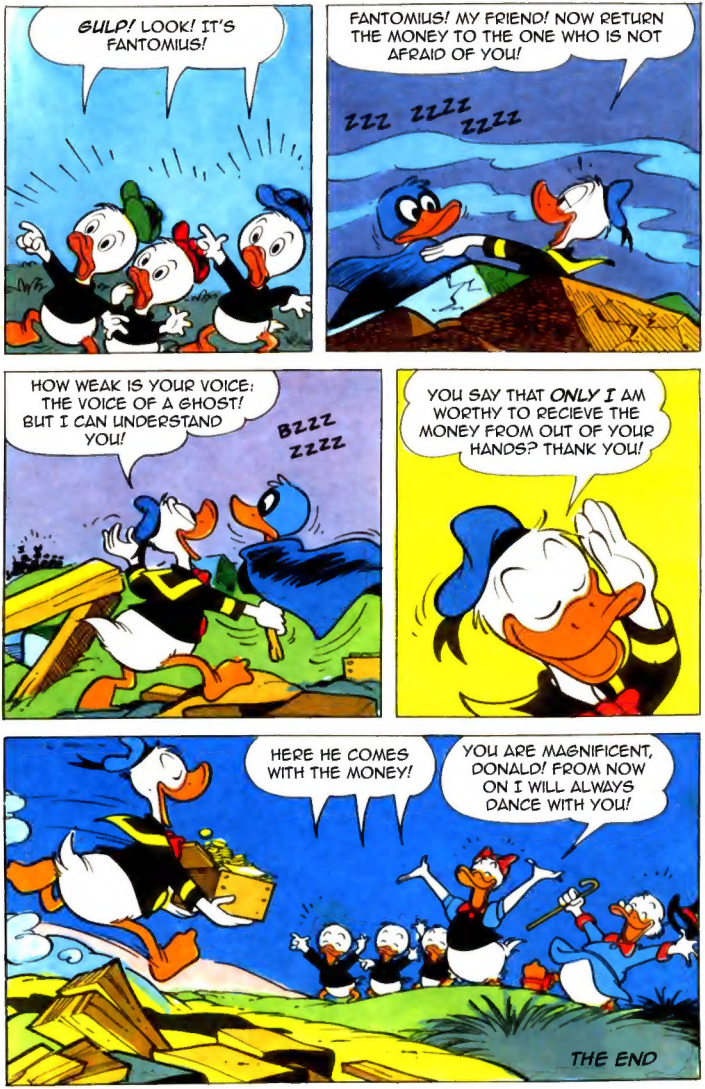
AND YOU BETTER GO HOME! I WILL BE DAISY'S KNIGHT!
AND I WILL GLADLY BE YOUR LADY, MY FEARLESS HERO!
SIGH!


MUMBLE MUMBLE... IF ONLY I COULD REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT!

LATER...


HERE ARE THE RUINS! IF YOU'RE TOO AFRAID, I WILL BRAVELY GO MYSELF TO LOOK FOR HIM!
GOOD IDEA!

HERE AMONG THE RUINS... HE HE... I'VE PREPARED EVERYTHING FOR THE FINAL SCENE!
I'LL START WITH THE SMOKE BOMB!
BUUMM
FANTOMIUS! I, DONALD THE BRAVE, CALL UPON YOU!
WHAT A HERO! HE'S SO BRAVE!
IT'S NOT FOR NOTHING THAT HE IS MY NEPHEW!
IT'S NOT FOR NOTHING THAT HE IS OUR UNCLE!


GULP! LOOK! IT'S FANTOMIUS!
FANTOMIUS! MY FRIEND! NOW RETURN THE MONEY TO THE ONE WHO IS NOT AFRAID OF YOU!
ZZZ ZZZZ ZZZZ
HOW WEAK IS YOUR VOICE: THE VOICE OF A GHOST! BUT I CAN UNDERSTAND YOU!
BZZZ ZZZZ
YOU SAY THAT ONLY I AM WORTHY TO RECIEVE THE MONEY FROM OUT OF YOUR HANDS? THANK YOU!
HERE HE COMES WITH THE MONEY!
YOU ARE MAGNIFICENT, DONALD! FROM NOW ON I WILL ALWAYS DANCE WITH YOU!
THE END